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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone for 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms steady to fully steady. Supplies in a full range, lighter weight hens being offered at premiums. No trading reported. Trading on parts and bulk meats was fairly good.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading and demand mostly light. Limited sales of parts taking place with resistance to current pricing levels noted. Offerings mixed and ranged from closely balanced to available.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **SEPTEMBER 12, 2000**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	75-77	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-76	-	-	-	75.50	480	Oct	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	75-77	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-73	71	71.00	40	72.00	320	Oct	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	75-77	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS** AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 12 SEPTEMBER 2000.

Trade sentiment steady to firm on fresh tom breast meat and continued strength was noted on fresh destrapped tenderloins. Inquiry fair to good. Offerings of fresh tom breast meat short to light, mostly short with instances of increased availability noted when compared to previous weeks. Frozen thigh meat seller sentiment steady to fully steady. Some buyer resistance to the higher trending seller offering prices was starting to be noted. Undertone steady at best on necks, full-cut wings steady to fully steady and strongest in the East and 2-joint wings fully steady. The undertone on tom drums ranged from steady to firm and strongest in the East. Tom drum offerings were short to light. Trading was moderately heavy on fresh mechanically separated turkey, fair on plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts and light on the balance of items. Fresh wing meat with skin traded at 44 and plant grade non-basted 12-14 lb. breasts traded 120 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	96.00-102.00		98.49	444
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	27.00-28.00		27.35	23
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	32.00		32.00	6
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	23.00		23.00	46
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	23.00		23.00	9
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	34.00		34.00	2
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	55.00	10
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	49
NECKS, HEN	15.00		15.00	7
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	160.00		160.00	13
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	187.00-195.00		191.33	240
THIGH MEAT	60.00		60.00	16
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	57.56	123
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	122.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	143.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	178.00		178.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	38.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00		15.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-18.00		17.15	520

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	26.91	572
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	21.00	136
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		R	20.00	156
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	14.50	520
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	61.00		61.00	40

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	90-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	87-94
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	79-82
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	77-80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	78-81

#### **SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	85-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	88-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	88-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	88-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	102-104

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Trade sentiment steady to firm on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins. Fresh tom breast meat trading continued to be noted at higher trending price levels. Demand fair to good for the limited offerings. Trade sentiment steady to fully on wing meat with skin with part loads of fresh noted at 40-43 cents delivered. Scapula and breast trim trade sentiment steady to fully steady, mostly fully steady for the limited offerings. Frozen tom breast meat and frozen destrapped tenderloins steady to instances fully steady with some expressing increased confidence in the market due to the limited availability of current or new production. Some sellers are choosing to thaw frozen tom breast meat and sell excess fresh production. Offerings of tom drums short to instances light as some speculators start releasing inventories. Trading light on all items and centered on fresh tom breast meat. Hearts traded at 17 cents delivered domestic and frozen tom breast meat 157 cents delivered for export.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	98.49	444
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	27.00-28.00		27.50	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	28.00		28.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	33.00		33.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	22.50-24.00		23.42	120
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	23.00	9
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		T	34.00	2
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	55.00	10
NECKS, TOM	14.00		14.00	100
NECKS, HEN		T	15.00	7
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	163.00		163.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	190.00-197.00		194.14	280
THIGH MEAT		T	60.00	16
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	57.56	123
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	122.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		M	143.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	179.00-180.00		179.50	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	38.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	15.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00		16.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	29.00		29.00	104
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	22.25		22.25	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		R	20.00	156
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	16.50		16.50	40
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	60.00		60.00	26

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**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 09/13/00**

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES*	BREEDS*
2000-2001	787	67,678	67,928
1999-2000		87,909	87,909

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